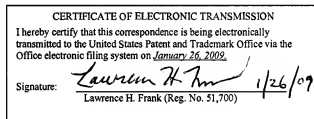


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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

S I R:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 24, 2008, transmitted herewith is an Amendment, along with an article by Hare et al (2007) as Exhibit A for filing in the above-identified application.

Applicants hereby request a three-month extension of time for responding to the Office Action of July 24, 2008. Since January 24, 2009 was a Saturday, the extended period for response expires on January 26, 2009.

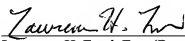
The Director is authorized to charge the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) **three-month (small entity) extension fee of \$555.00**, to Kenyon & Kenyon LLP Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Applicants believe that no other fees due. However, if additional fees are due, the Director is authorized to charge any such fees and/or credit any overpayment to Kenyon & Kenyon LLP Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

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